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"COLLECTIONS OF COMPOUNDS"

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed June 24, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement in light of the following remarks.

Remarks

The claims of the present application are subject to a nine-way restriction requirement as follows:

Group I, claims 1-16, is drawn to compounds of Formula I;

Group II, claims 17-19, is drawn to compounds of Formula II and pharmaceutical compositions comprising the compounds;

Group III, claim 20, is drawn to the use of a compound of Formula II for the treatment of a gene-based disease;